



AF/1651
Ifw

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Denise L. Faustman

Serial No.: 09/913,664

Filed: August 17, 2001

Entitled: METHOD FOR INHIBITING
TRANSPLANT REJECTION

ART UNIT: 1651

EXAMINER: V. Afremova

Atty. Docket No.: DLF-002.1P US

Mail Stop AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF EXAMINER INTERVIEW

Sir:

Applicant is in receipt of an Advisory Action issued August 27, 2004 with an attached Interview Summary form PTOL-413. The Interview Summary gives Applicant one month to submit a written statement of the substance of the interview. This Statement is filed in compliance with that submission requirement.

REMARKS

In response to the final Office Action issued September 24, 2003, Applicant submitted a Notice of Appeal and a Response including the Declaration of Dr. Denise L. Faustman, M.D., Ph.D. pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.132, which presented data demonstrating that the Examiner's interpretation of the primary references relied on to finally reject Applicant's claims was incorrect.

In a first Advisory Action issued May 7, 2004, the Examiner refused entry of the Declaration stating that good and sufficient reasons for why the Declaration was not presented earlier in prosecution had not been provided.